A SYSTEM FOR OPERATING A PLURALITY OF TERMINAL EQUIPMENTS

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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

10   An administrative server automatically manages the
operating time of each device and promotes the rotation
between the devices having longer operating times and the
devices having shorter operating times to thereby reduce
the occurrence of trouble, whereby the operating
efficiency is improved.

15   The operating times of a plurality of terminal
equipments are measured, so that the operating times of
the respective terminal equipments can be equalized at
the expiry of a predetermined operation period tf.
Rotation candidate terminal equipments are determined
20   among the plurality of terminal equipments based on the
accumulated operating times of the respective terminal
equipments by then before the expiry of the predetermined
operation period tx, and terminal equipments rotation
messages are sent to the rotation candidate terminal
25   equipments so determined. Stored data of the rotation
candidate terminal equipments is backup processed onto an
administrative unit in accordance with the message, and
after one of the rotation candidate terminal equipments
is exchanged with another of the rotation candidate
30   terminal equipments and they are connected back to a
system, the data associated with the one of the rotation
candidate terminal equipments is downloaded on the
another of the rotation candidate terminal equipments.
The operation of the respective terminal equipments are
35   resumed all together after the rotation of all the
rotation candidate terminal equipments has been
completed.